



Supporting the Early Years Framework 2021 with Mini Mash

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Communication and Language

ELG: Listening, Attention and Understanding		
Children at expected level of development will:	Resource	Ideas and Activities
	Simple City Videos:	Use the videos in Simple City as a starting point for discussion for
Listen attentively and respond to	The Farm	various topics. Allow children to respond to what they see with
what they hear with relevant	The Café	questions and comments.
questions, comments and actions	The Doctors	
when being read to and during	The Vets	
whole class discussions and small	The Zoo	
group interactions.	The Garden Centre	
	The Builders	
	Topic Picture Slide Shows:	Slide shows can be used to initiate discussion about various
	(also found within individual topic	topics. These slideshows can be found within each topic pin on
	pins)	Minimash.
Make comments about what they	About Me	
have heard and ask questions to	<u>About Me – What I Like</u>	
clarify their understanding.	<u>Autumn</u>	
	Baby Animals Feeding	
	Baby Animals	
	<u>Builders</u>	
	Building Parts	
Hold conversation when engaged	<u>Castles 1</u>	
in back-and-forth exchanges with	<u>Castles 2</u>	
their teacher and peers.	Chinese New Year 1	
	Chinese New Year 2	
	<u>Christmas 1</u>	



Christmas 2 Colours 1 Colours 2 Dinosaurs 1 Dinosaurs 2 Easter 1 Easter 2 Fairy Tale Stories Fairy Tale – The Gingerbread Man Fairy Tale - Little Red Riding Hood Fairy Tale – Elves and the Shoemaker Fairy Tale – Tortoise and the Hare Farm Farm - Animal Homes **Feelings** Feelings - What Makes Me Happy Garden Garden – Berries and Nuts Garden - Growing a Seed Grocers Growing Minibeasts 1 Minibeasts 2 Numbers 1 Numbers 2 People Who Help Us 1 People Who Help Us 2 **Pirates** Pirates - Treasure

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Shoes 1

Shoes 2	
Shapes 1	
Shapes 2	
Seasons	
Seasons - Clothing	
<u>Seaside</u>	
Seaside in the Past	
Summer 1	
Summer 2	
Space 1	
Space 2	
<u>Spring</u>	
Teddy bear's Picnic	
<u>Toys</u>	
Toys from the Past	
<u>Transport</u>	
<u>Under the Sea</u>	
<u>Under the Sea - Divers</u>	
<u>Vehicles</u>	
Vehicles from the Past	
Vets 1	
Vets 2	
Weather 1	
Weather 2	
Winter 1	
Winter 2	
<u>Zoo</u>	



Ready-made topic stories:	Create your own or use the ready-made stories to introduce a
(found within individual topic pins)	new topic of discussion. The ready-made stories contain pictures
<u>Autumn</u>	and simple sentences with audio.
<u>Dinosaurs</u>	
Fairy Tales	
<u>Farm</u>	
<u>Feelings</u>	
Food	
Garden	
Minibeasts	
Pets	
People Who Help Us	
Pirates	
<u>Seaside</u>	
<u>Space</u>	
Spring	
<u>Superheroes</u>	
<u>Toys</u>	
<u>Transport</u>	
<u>Under The Sea</u>	
Weather	
<u>Zoo</u>	
2Create a Story	Use 2Create a story to create your own stories to read to the
	children on the whiteboard/screen. Use photographs of the
	children in the story, use stories familiar to the children and add
	the children's photographs as characters in the story.
	Leave the story for the children to go and view on the
	whiteboard/screen, leave some blank pages and encourage the



	children to add to the story drawing their own images on the pages. Add some sounds or show the children how to record their own voices. Make the sound of an animal or use instruments to add in sound effects.
Sound Slide Shows	Slideshows including audio based around a sound and words beginning with that sound. Use the sound slideshows to evoke discussion about different sounds and words which start with each sound. Can children think of any other words beginning with that sound?
2Beat	2Beat allows children to experiment with beats and rhythms. Let the children experiment with the different instruments, listening to the different types of drums, symbols and other sounds they can choose. Choose the instruments and start with simple 6 or 8 beat tunes. Make some of the sounds loud and some of the sounds quiet and create discussion around questions such as the following: Which sound do you think should be the loudest? Which sound should be the quietest? What happens when we make them all loud? What happens when we make them all quiet? Speed the sounds up and slow them down. Which is their favourite way of playing the sounds, fast or slowly?



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2Explore	2Explore allows children to experiment with different instrument sounds and create their own simple tune.
	Choose from a selection of different instruments, listen to the different sounds the instruments make. Ask the children in they can make a pattern using 2 sounds. Can they speed the pattern of sounds up or slow them down? Which sounds do they like best? Let the children create tunes to the stories they are reading.

ELG: Speaking		
Children at expected level of development will:	Resource	Ideas and Activities
Participate in small group, class and one-to-one discussions, offering their own ideas, using recently introduced vocabulary.	Mashcams	Mashcams allow children to role play a wide variety of different roles and characters, with space to input their picture and write or record their voice. Use the Mashcams to set up characters related to your topic. Provide opportunities for the children to take their own images and add them to the Mashcam. They can then use the recording tool to record their speech.
Offer explanations for why things might happen, making use of recently introduced vocabulary from stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems when appropriate.	Topic Picture Slide Shows: (also found within individual topic pins) About Me About Me – What I Like Autumn Baby Animals Feeding	Slide shows can be used to initiate discussion about various topics. These slideshows can be found within each topic pin on Minimash. Children can be invited to share their experiences of these topics, talk about what they can see on the slide show and ask or answer relevant questions.
Express their ideas and feelings about their experiences using full sentences, including use of past, present and future tenses and making use of conjunctions, with modelling and support from their teacher.	Baby Animals Builders Building Parts Castles 1 Castles 2 Chinese New Year 1 Chinese New Year 2 Christmas 1 Christmas 2	Slide shows could be left on the screen during continuous provision to promote independent discussion with peers.



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Shoes 2

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Seaside in the Past	
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Space 1	
Space 2	
Spring	
Teddy bear's Picnic	
<u>Toys</u>	
Toys from the Past	
Transport	
<u>Under the Sea</u>	
<u>Under the Sea - Divers</u>	
<u>Vehicles</u>	
Vehicles from the Past	
Vets 1	
Vets 2	
Weather 1	
Weather 2	
Winter 1	
Winter 2	
<u>Zoo</u>	
2Create A Story	Children can use 2Create a story to produce their own stories.
	Children can draw simple pictures, use the simple animation tools
	and record their voice to tell their story in full sentences.
	and reserve to tell their story in rail sentences.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

ELG: Self-Regulation		
Children at expected level of development will:	Resource	Ideas and Activities
Show an understanding of their own feelings and those of others and begin to regulate their behaviour accordingly.	Topic Pin - Feelings	Various resources including slide shows, jigsaws and paint projects on the topic of feelings. Children can discuss the different feelings that they experience, what can make them feel like that as well as any physical responses they might have with that feeling.
Set and work towards simple goals, being able to wait for what they want and control their immediate impulses when appropriate.	Paint Projects: Myself (Found within 'People' paint projects)	A variety of paint projects which could be used to aid discussion on themselves, their emotions and how they are feeling in a specific situation.
Give focused attention to what the teacher says, responding appropriately even when engaged in activity, and show an ability to follow instructions involving several ideas or actions.		



ELG: Managing Self		
Children at expected level of development will:	Resource	Ideas and Activities
Be confident to try new activities and show independence, resilience and perseverance in the face of	Topic Pin - Food	Within the topic pin, children will find a range of activities, games and stories around the topic of food which can be used as a basis for discussion about the importance of making healthy food choices.
Explain the reasons for rules, know right from wrong and try to behave accordingly.		
Manage their own basic hygiene and personal needs, including dressing, going to the toilet and understanding the importance of healthy food choices.		

ELG: Building Relationships		
Children at expected level of development will:	Resource	Ideas and Activities
Work and play cooperatively		
and take turns with others.		
Form positive attachments to		
adults and friendships with		
peers.		
Show sensitivity to their own		
and to others' needs.		

Physical Development

ELG: Gross Motor Skills		
Children at expected level of development will:	Resource	Ideas and Activities
Negotiate space and obstacles safely, with consideration for themselves and others.		
Demonstrate strength, balance and coordination when playing.		
Move energetically, such as running, jumping, dancing, hopping, skipping and climbing.		

ELG: Fine Motor Skills		
Children at expected level of development will:	Resource	Ideas and Activities
Hold a pencil effectively in preparation for fluent writing – using the tripod grip in almost all cases.	2Handwrite	Use 2Handwrite to demonstrate, record and play back letter formation, handwriting joins and spelling patterns. Works well with an Interactive Whiteboard or touchscreen. The lines can be made wider by clicking on the magnifying
Use a range of small tools, including scissors, paint		glass icon. Teachers can demonstrate and model letters or words on an interactive whiteboard, or children can access the application on a tablet to practice letter formation.
brushes and cutlery.	2Paint a Picture	Give the children the opportunity to explore the resources in Purple Mash using a range of tools. Use the interactive whiteboard and 2Paint as part of continuous provision to encourage gross motor movements.
Begin to show accuracy and care when drawing.		Use 2Paint on an iPad to help with fine motor skills and movements. Opportunities for children to practise their accuracy and care in drawing.
	Paint Projects	Paint Projects – a range of pictures on various topics for children to colour in with different coloured and textured pens. Children will develop fine motor skills through completing
		these activities.
	Mini Mash games – Jigsaws and 2Pairs	Children can practice fine motor skills and movements through playing games which include dragging and dropping.



	Either using a mouse on a PC or fingers on an iPad, children will develop hand and eye coordination.
2Create A Story	Children can create their own stories with illustrations, working on their fine motor skills and their accuracy with drawing.



Literacy

ELG: Comprehension		
Children at expected level of development will:	Resource	Ideas and Activities
	Fairy Tale Slide Shows:	Slide show of images from popular fairy tales.
Demonstrate understanding of	Fairy Tale Stories	
what has been read to them	Fairy Tale – The Gingerbread Man	Children can retell the stories through the images on the slide
by retelling stories and	Fairy Tale – Little Red Riding Hood	show, adding in their own narrative details, identifying the key
narratives using their own	<u>Fairy Tale – Elves and the Shoemaker</u>	events.
words and recently introduced	Fairy Tale – Tortoise and the Hare	
vocabulary.		
Anticipate – where appropriate – key events in stories.	2Create A Story	You could use 2Create a Story to write simple stories for the children to read based upon the stories they know.
Use and understand recently introduced vocabulary during discussions about stories, nonfiction, rhymes and poems and during role-play.	<u>Mashcams</u>	Mashcams allow children to role play a wide variety of different roles and characters, with space to input their picture and write or record their voice. Use the Mashcams to set up characters related to your topic.
		Provide opportunities for the children to take their own images



	and add them to the Mashcam. They can then use the recording tool to record their speech.
	Children can write or record their understanding of a certain story or topic from the point of view of the character with an emphasis on using new vocabulary to show their understanding.
Paint Projects: Fantasy & Fairy Tales	Paint Projects based on Fairy Tales that the children might be aware of.
	Can be used to aid discussion and retelling of the story.

ELG: Word Reading		
Children at expected level of development will:	Resource	Ideas and Activities
Say a sound for each letter in the alphabet and at least 10 digraphs.	Alphabet Sound Slide Shows	Slide shows for all sounds of the alphabet including pictures and sound recordings of words beginning with that sound. Use the slideshows as to teach the sounds for each letter of the alphabet, including recognising the sound in common words. Children can practise saying the words, as well as
Read words consistent with their phonic knowledge by sound-blending		thinking of their own words beginning with that sound. Children could use 2Create a Story to make their own sound books.
	Initial Sound Quizzes	Quizzes based around each letter of the alphabet where children have to choose the word with the correct initial sound.
Read aloud simple sentences and books that are consistent with their phonic knowledge,		Could be used to cement children's understanding of certain sounds whilst developing their word recognition and problemsolving skills.
including some common exception words.	Alphabet Jigsaws: 4 Piece Jigsaws 6 Piece Jigsaws	Jigsaws based around each letter of the alphabet containing pictures of objects with the same initial sound. Could be used to cement children's understanding of certain
		sounds whilst developing their problem-solving skills. Could be used in continuous provision after learning about certain sounds.



Alphabet Pairs Games:	Pairs games based around each letter of the alphabet where
4 Card Game	children need to match pictures of objects beginning with that
8 Card Game	sound.
	Could be used to cement children's understanding of certain
	sounds whilst developing their problem-solving skills.
	Could be used in continuous provision or on the whiteboard, reiterating the initial sound of the object shown.
Missing Sound Spelling Quizzes	Topic based cloze quizzes where children need to select the
	correct sound that is missing from the word.
	Children can practise identifying a word based on the picture,
	sounding out a word and dragging in the missing sound. These
	sounds are sometimes initial sound, final sound or within the word.
	The quizzes cover a range of phonemes and some common
	diagraphs including ee, sh and oo.
Phonics Resources:	Cloze activities and flash cards to help teach and practise
Phase 2 Cloze Quizzes	phase 2 & 3 phonics.
Phase 3 Cloze Quizzes	
	Cloze quizzes can be completed in order which matches the
<u>Printable Flash Cards – Phase 2</u>	progression of phased phonics teaching. The quizzes include
<u>Printable Flash Cards – Phase 3</u>	finding the missing sound in words, and also the creation of 2 syllable compound words.



Topic stories:	Topic based picture stories with simple sentences for children
<u>Autumn</u>	to read.
<u>Dinosaurs</u>	
Fairy Tales	Children can listen with the audio or turn the sound off on the
<u>Farm</u>	device if you would like children to sound out the sentences
<u>Feelings</u>	themselves.
<u>Food</u>	
<u>Garden</u>	This could be used as a basis for children to create their own
<u>Minibeasts</u>	topic stories.
<u>Pets</u>	
<u>Pirates</u>	
<u>Seaside</u>	
<u>Space</u>	
Spring	
<u>Superheroes</u>	
<u>Toys</u>	
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<u>Zoo</u>	



ELG: Writing		
Children at expected level of development will:	Resource	Ideas and Activities
Write recognisable letters, most of which are correctly formed.	Alphabet Paint Projects	Paint projects for each letter of the alphabet. Children can practise letter formation as well as drawing pictures of objects or writing words which begin with that letter.
Spell words by identifying sounds in them and representing the sounds with a letter or letters. Write simple phrases and sentences that can be read by others.	2Create A Story	 Children can create their own stories using 2Create A Story. Other ideas could include: Make a class story based on a story you are reading about, or a new story that you are going to write as a class. Change the story to be 'your' story. Change the characters/the ending, for example write your own version of the story of Little Red Riding Hood. Teachers could begin story by adding some pictures and animation ready for the children to add the writing. Create class story, letting the children compose the sentences whilst teacher types.
	<u>Mashcams</u>	Mashcams allow children to put themselves into a role of character. They are able to use their own picture and there is a speech bubble for them to write their speech.



	Mashcams can be used as useful tool to engage and inspire children to write as they can write as if they are a different character. As well as typing sentences on the computer, the mashcams can be printed off as PDFs for children to write their own simple sentences.
2Handwrite	Use 2Handwrite to demonstrate, record and play back letter formation, handwriting joins and spelling patterns. Works well with an Interactive Whiteboard or touchscreen. The lines can be made wider by clicking on the magnifying glass icon. Teachers can demonstrate and model letters or words on an interactive whiteboard, or children can access the application on a tablet to practice letter formation.
Mriting Templates: All About Picture and Text Celebration Card Symmetry Picture and Writing Postcard List	A variety of writing templates that can be used on the computer/device or printed off. All About – Two pictures and space to write sentences. Children could choose to write about their two favourite animals and write a sentence about it. Picture and Text – One picture and writing space. Children could complete and save a paint project, import the picture into this template and write about their picture.



	<u>Celebration Card –</u> Children could create a celebration card for any occasion. They could then print the card out. <u>Symmetry Picture and Writing –</u> Children can create a pattern picture using the symmetry tool and then write about their picture.
	<u>Postcard</u> – Children could write a postcard pretending they are on holiday. They can use the sentence starters to write a message to a friend.
	<u>List</u> – Children can write a simple list of anything. It could be a shopping list, a list of minibeasts they have seen, or a list of materials they need to make something.



Mathematics

ELG: Number		
Ideas and Activities		
Have a deep understanding of	Maths City 1	Maths City 1 allows children to explore practical everyday
number to 10, including the	Users will find the topics below by	maths.
composition of each number.	clicking on the different areas on the	Car Race
	city screen.	Activities here include matching cars to their correct position
		and deciding which vehicle will win a race based on their
	Car Race	number.
Subitise (recognise quantities	Toy Shop	
without counting) up to 5.	The Farm	There are also activities here on completing a pattern and
	Space	deciding which car will fit into a certain space.
	The Playground	
		Why do some cars go faster than other cars?
Automatically recall (without		Which numbers goes the slowest, and which number goes the
reference to rhymes, counting		fastest?
or other aids) number bonds		
up to 5 (including subtraction		Toy Shop
facts) and some number bonds		Activities include creating sets of toys using numbers 1-10.
to 10, including double facts		Another activity invites children to count out a certain amount
		of each toy correctly.
		Can you make a set of 6 ducks?
		How many more ducks do we need to make eight?
		How many have we got if we take 2 away?
		How many have we got if we add another three?



In Activity 2, children need to match the number digit to the correct quantity. In the final activity, children their own toy shop adding toys to the shelves and give them a price. Which is the most expensive toy in your shop window? Which is the cheapest toy in the shop window? The Farm Create sets of animals using numbers 1-10. Children need to put the correct number of animals in the correct field to match the quantity. In Activity 2, children need to match the number digit to the correct quantity. In the final activities, Children need to look closely at finding the correct animal and the correct quantity. There are further activities were children need to complete an animal pattern. The Farm Create sets of animals using numbers 1-10. Children need to put the correct number of animals in the correct field to match the quantity.



There are further activities were children need to complete an animal pattern. **Space** In the first activity, children need to move the different rockets into the correct space, taking note of the number. The race will begin when they press play. Why do some rockets go faster than other rockets? Which numbers goes the slowest and which number goes the fastest? Children can place the rockets into space and predict which rocket will come first and which will come last, based on their number. The Playground Create sets of objects using numbers 1-10. Add a number and an object to the playground and work with the children to complete the sets. In Activity 2, children need to match the number digit to the correct quantity. Use the other activities in this section to reinforce numbers to 10.



2Count	 2Count is a tool which can be used to create simple pictograms. Within the category you are given different options of things to count. The Emotions 2Count could be used on the whiteboard at the beginning of a day for children to record how they are feeling. The Cars or Vehicles 2Count could be used during observations of traffic going past the school. Children could record the features of children in the class using the Eye Colour and Hair Colour 2Count. The Shapes 2Count could be used when observing shapes in the classroom or playground. The Leaves or Minibeasts 2Count could be used to count how many of each are found in the playground. Children could produce a pictogram of class favourites of Food, Pets, Fruit, Farm Animals and Weather.
Number Paint Projects 1	Paint projects for numbers 1-10 allowing children to decorate a number and draw a picture. Children can use the space to practise number formation or they could draw the right quantity of objects to match the number.



Number Paint Projects 2	Paint projects for numbers 1-10 allowing children to practise number formation and colouring in the correct number of blocks and objects. Children can develop their understanding of counting and quantity.
Lady Bird Doubles	A selection of paint projects for children to practise doubles up to 10. Children are presented with a ladybird which they need to complete to find the double.
Addition up to 5 Addition up to 10 One more and one less to 21 Number bonds to 5 Number bonds to 10 Odds and evens to 20 Comparing up to 20	Racing games where children need to answer quick questions in order to win the race. A range of mathematical questions to solidify number facts knowledge including number bonds, one more and one less and comparing different quantities.



Maths 2Quiz Quizzes	Ready-made quizzes around different aspects of
(Quizzes also found in individual topic pins)	numbers to 10.
Counting Numbers	These quizzes are based around different Early
Ordering Numbers	Years topics so can also be found within individual
	topic pins.





Children at expected level of	Resource	Ideas and Activities
development will:		
Verbally count beyond 20,	Maths City 1	Maths City 1 allows children to explore practical everyday
recognising the pattern of the	Users will find the topics below by	maths.
counting system.	clicking on the different areas on the	
	city screen.	Car Race
		Activities here include matching cars to their correct position
	Car Race	and deciding which vehicle will win a race based on their
Compare quantities up to 10 in	Toy Shop	number.
different contexts, recognising	The Farm	
when one quantity is greater	Space	There are also activities here on completing a pattern and
than, less than or the same as	The Playground	deciding which car will fit into a certain space.
the other quantity.		
		Why do some cars go faster than other cars?
		Which numbers goes the slowest, and which number goes the
		fastest?
Explore and represent patterns		
within numbers up to 10,		Toy Shop
including evens and odds,		Activities include creating sets of toys using numbers 1-10.
double facts and how		Another activity invites children to count out a certain amount
quantities can be distributed		of each toy correctly.
equally.		
		Can you make a set of 6 ducks?
		How many more ducks do we need to make eight?
		How many have we got if we take 2 away?
		How many have we got if we add another three?



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The Farm

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Space

In the first activity, children need to move the different rockets into the correct space, taking note of the number. The race will begin when they press play.

Why do some rockets go faster than other rockets? Which numbers goes the slowest and which number goes the fastest?

Children can place the rockets into space and predict which rocket will come first and which will come last, based on their number.



	The Playground Create sets of objects using numbers 1-10. Add a number and an object to the playground and work with the children to complete the sets. In Activity 2, children need to match the number digit to the correct quantity. Use the other activities in this section to reinforce numbers to 10.
2Count	 2Count is a tool which can be used to create simple pictograms. Within the category you are given different options of things to count. The Emotions 2Count could be used on the whiteboard at the beginning of a day for children to record how they are feeling. The Cars or Vehicles 2Count could be used during observations of traffic going past the school. Children could record the features of children in the class using the Eye Colour and Hair Colour 2Count. The Shapes 2Count could be used when observing shapes in the classroom or playground. The Leaves or Minibeasts 2Count could be used to count how many of each are found in the playground. Children could produce a pictogram of class favourites of Food, Pets, Fruit, Farm Animals and Weather.
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	Children can use the space to practise number formation or
	they could draw the right quantity of objects to match the number.
Number Paint Projects 2	Paint projects for numbers 1-10 allowing children to practise number formation and colouring in the correct number of blocks and objects.
	Children can develop their understanding of counting and quantity.
<u>Lady Bird Doubles</u>	A selection of paint projects for children to practise doubles up to 10.
	Children are presented with a ladybird which they need to complete to find the double.
2Race	Racing games where children need to answer quick questions in order to win the race.
Addition up to 5 Addition up to 10	A range of mathematical questions to solidify number facts
One more and one less to 21	knowledge including number bonds, one more and one less
Number bonds to 5 Number bonds to 10	and comparing different quantities.
Odds and evens to 20	
Comparing up to 20	
Maths 2Quiz Quizzes (Quizzes also found in individual topic pins)	Ready-made quizzes around different aspects of numbers to 10.



Counting Numbers	These quizzes are based around different Early Years topics so
Ordering Numbers	can also be found within individual topic pins.



Understanding the World

ELG: Past and Present		
Children at expected level of development will:	Resource	Ideas and Activities
Talk about the lives of the	Simple City	Children can visit the different areas within Simple City to find
people around them and their	The Farm	out more about people's roles and responsibilities in different
roles in society.	The Café	areas of the community.
	The Doctors	
	The Vets	This could also be used as a point to begin researching how
	The Zoo	these places and people worked in the past.
Know some similarities and	The Garden Centre	
differences between things in	The Builders	
the past and now, drawing on		
their experiences and what		
has been read in class.	Topic Pins:	Within the topic pins, children will find a range of slide shows,
		activities and stories around these topics which can be used as
	People Who Help Us	a basis for discussion about how these people play a role in our
	<u>Vets</u>	society.
Understand the past through	<u>Builders</u>	
settings, characters and	Old and New Slide Shows:	Slideshows of images from the present and past to compare.
events encountered in books	<u>Toys</u>	
read in class and storytelling.	Toys from the Past	Children can discuss the differences which they recognise and
	<u>Vehicles</u>	use a starter for discussion about how other things have
	Vehicles from the Past	changed from the past.
	<u>Seaside</u>	
	Seaside in the Past	



Children at expected level of development will:	Resource	Ideas and Activities
Describe their immediate	Simple City	Children can visit the different areas within Simple City to find
environment using knowledge	The Farm	comparisons between their own experiences and environments
from observation, discussion,	The Café	and those of those around them.
stories, non-fiction texts and	The Doctors	
maps.	The Vets	This could also be used as a point to begin researching how
	The Zoo	these places and people worked in the past.
	The Garden Centre	
	The Builders	
Know some similarities and	Topic Pins:	Within the topic pins, children will find a range of slide shows,
differences between different		activities and stories around these topics which can be used as
religious and cultural	About Me	a basis for discussion.
communities in this country,	My Feelings	
drawing on their experiences	Growing	Using the About Me pin, children can draw on their own
and what has been read in		experiences of their own lives and their immediate
class.	<u>Christmas</u>	environments.
	<u>Easter</u>	
	Chinese New Year	



Explain some similarities and	Cultural Celebration Paint Projects:	A variety of paint projects allowing children to learn about
differences between life in this		different cultural celebrations and clothing.
country and life in other	Birthday Cake	
countries, drawing on	<u>Chanukiah</u>	These can be used to promote discussion around celebrations
knowledge from stories, non-	Chinese Fan	that different children are familiar with.
fiction texts and – when	Chinese Lion	
appropriate – maps.	<u>Christmas Plate</u>	
	Easter Egg	
	<u>Fireworks</u>	
	<u>Harvest Basket</u>	
	Chinese Lantern 1	
	Chinese Lantern 2	
	<u>Mehndi</u>	
	<u>Mosque</u>	
	Rangoli pattern 1	
	Rangoli pattern 2	
	Seder Plate	
	<u>Diwali Diya</u>	
	Clothes:	
	<u>Sherwani</u>	
	Rungun	
	<u>Sari</u>	



ELG: The Natural World		
Children at expected level of development will:	Resource	Ideas and Activities
Explore the natural world	Paint Projects:	Use the paint templates to talk to the children about the
around them, making		different types of plants, animals, insects and habitats we have
observations and drawing	<u>Animals</u>	all around us and what they look like.
pictures of animals and plants.	<u>Nature</u>	
		Talk about how things change around us like the seasons and
		use the 2Paint projects templates to create pictures of the
		different seasons and the changes that we see happening all
Know some similarities and		around us.
differences between the		
natural world around them		
and contrasting environments,		
drawing on their experiences		
and what has been read in		
class.		



	Topic Pins:	Within these topic pins, you will find stories, slide shows, paint
Understand some important		projects and games around the specific topic for children to
processes and changes in the	<u>Under the Sea</u>	explore.
natural world around them,	<u>Seasons</u>	
including the seasons and	<u>Autumn</u>	The slide shows and stories can be used as a starting point for
changing states of matter.	<u>Winter</u>	discussion. You will find these pins within Mini Mash.
	<u>Summer</u>	
	Spring	
	Growing	
	<u>Garden</u>	
	Baby Animals	
	<u>Farm</u>	
	<u>Minibeasts</u>	
	<u>Pets</u>	
	<u>Seaside</u>	
	<u>Space</u>	
	<u>Weather</u>	
	<u>Zoo</u>	
	Simple City	Visit the Simple City Zoo and the Simple City Farm. Look the
	The Zoo	different types of animals and talk about where the animals
	The Farm	come from.
	The Vets	
		Visit the Vets Surgery to aid discussion on how to look after animals.



Expressive Arts and Design

ELG: Creating with Materials				
Children at expected level of development will:	Resource	Ideas and Activities		
Safely use and explore a	2Paint A Picture:	A range of painting tools to help children to produce a		
variety of materials, tools and		masterpiece, experimenting with a range of textured paints,		
techniques, experimenting	Simple	effects and colours.		
with colour, design, texture,	Slice			
form and function.	Spinner	Children can change the size of brush and import backgrounds,		
	Wet paint	including photos, to their work.		
	Swirly			
Share their creations,	Paint Projects:	Children can use the Paint Projects to complete pictures on		
explaining the process they		various topics.		
have used.	<u>Animals</u>			
	Size & Shape	The projects contain a variety of textured pens so children can		
	Transport	experiment using different pens, thickness and colours.		
	Food & Drink			
Make use of props and	<u>Nature</u>			
materials when role playing	<u>People</u>			
characters in narratives and	<u>Celebrations</u>			
stories.	<u>Clothes</u>			
	Fantasy & Fairy Tales			
	<u>At Home</u>			



2Create A Story	Children can use 2Create A Story to display their pictures.
	They can draw directly into the application or import saved
	pictures from their Tray or My Work folder.
	As well as space to write, 2Create A Story has a recording
	function so children can record themselves talking about their
	picture, explaining the processes they have used.





Children at expected level of development will:	Resource	Ideas and Activities
Invent, adapt and recount narratives and stories with peers and their teacher.	2Create A Story	Children can use 2Create a story to create their own stories. They can include words, pictures, sound effects, music and voice recordings to express their stories.
	2Beat	2Beat allows children to experiment with beats and rhythms.
Sing a range of well-known nursery rhymes and songs.		Let the children experiment with the different instruments, listening to the different types of drums, symbols and other sounds they can choose. Choose the instruments and start with simple 6 or 8 beat tunes, experimenting with volume and speed.
Perform songs, rhymes, poems and stories with others, and – when appropriate – try to move in time with music.	2Explore	2Explore allows children to experiment with different instrument sounds and create their own simple tune.
move at time with music.		Children can choose from a selection of different instruments and listen to the different sounds the instruments make. Ask the children in they can make a pattern using 2 sounds. Can they speed the pattern of sounds up or slow them down? Which sounds do they like best?



<u>Mashcams</u>	Let the children become the character they want to be by using their own photograph as the face of the character.
	Many of the Mashcam characters are linked to themes or topics which could be developed through role play activities e.g. People who help us, pirates, zookeeper etc. Use the Mashcam characters to support role play. Children can become the character who they wish to be in their imaginative play.
	Mash Cams can also be printed out blank, laminated and left in the Role Play Area for children to engage with independently.

